

## County News Items

Interesting Facts Gathered During the Week by Our Regular Correspondents.

### RESOLUTIONS

Of Busseyville Sunday School, Whereas, God who knoweth and doeth all things that are best for His children has been pleased to remove from our midst while yet in the bloom of useful, active manhood, our Sunday School Superintendent, Mrs. F. R. Bussey, whom nature had richly endowed with all the nobler characteristics of the people among whom she had lived. Her head, and her purse were never closed to charities and always open to her church and friends. No tribute that we can now pay to her sacred memory will brighten the halo which now crowns her consecrated and immortal tomb, therefore be it

Resolved, that we, the members of Busseyville Sunday School and citizens of the community feel our loss deeply, though we recognize the power and wisdom of our Creator in this affliction, knowing that our loss is her eternal gain.

Resolved, that in this death the Sunday school suffers an irreparable loss; the Epworth League a most valuable and useful member, the church and community a Christian, whose daily walk through life should ever be an example before us.

Resolved that we fondly cherish her memory, and ever strive to emulate her Godly example.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family as an assurance of our heart-felt sympathy in this, their hour of grief.

Resolved, that these resolutions be spread upon the Sunday School record, the minutes of the Epworth League and a copy furnished each of the following papers for publication: Big Sandy News, Sandy Valley Courier, and Western Christian Advocate.

Joseph A. Hutchinson,  
Miss Opal E. Holt,  
Miss Willie D. Muncy,  
Committee.

### LOWER ELK, KY.

Lower Elk is nothing more or less than a typical lumber camp, located in the hills of Kentucky.

Dan Lewis, of this place, left for Caretta, W. Va., yesterday.

Alex Wallace, of Avondale, W. Va., visited our little town Sunday.

H. D. Beckton has been on the sick list for a few days.

Miss Lena Phillips, of Phelps, Ky., spent Saturday and Sunday with

her sister, at this place.

H. F. Kazee, who has been sick for the past week is able to be out again.

Mr. G. W. Skaggs and wife, of Louisa, Ky., visited their daughter, Mrs. H. F. Kazee at this place last week. Messrs. Edwards Jackson and Wade Rucker, of Hurley, Va., spent Sunday with friends here.

Miss Anna Phillips, of this place, spent Friday night with relatives at Hurricane.

James Sparks returned this morning from Aahland, Ky.

Tyle Jackson, of Devon, W. Va., spent Sunday with friends at this place.

Mrs. Tom England, of War Eagle, W. Va., spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. J. P. Hutton.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kimbler were shopping in Davy, W. Va., Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurton entertained the young folks Saturday night and all report a good time.

Mrs. J. W. White has been very ill for a few days, but is improving.

Mrs. Newcom, of Ceredo, W. Va., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Adams, this week.

Mrs. Ella White, and daughter, Emma, of Graham, Va., are visiting here this week.

Mrs. J. W. Simpson, of Panther, W. Va., visited her daughter, Mrs. Will Kimbler, last week.

H. M. Callers, of Columbus, Ohio, is transacting business here this week.

Jerry Williams a citizen of Lower Elk is in your town this week.

Subscriber.

### POSTMASTER ROBBED.

G. W. Fouts, Postmaster at Riverton, Ia., nearly lost his life and was robbed of all comfort, according to his letter, which says: "For 20 years I had chronic liver complaint, which led to such a severe case of jaundice that even my finger nails turned yellow; when my doctor prescribed Electric Bitters, which cured me and have kept me well for eleven years." Sure cure for Biliousness, Neuralgia, Weakness and all Stomach, Liver, Kidney and Bladder derangements. A wonderful tonic. At A. M. Hughes' drug store, 50 cents.

### YATESVILLE.

G. J. Carter's new dwelling house just completed is quite an ornament to our section.

E. W. Chambers has sold his farm to W. V. Roberts and has bought another farm on East Fork, to which he will move at an early date.

M. F. Carter and wife, of Blaine, were visiting relatives here for a few days last week. Also B. J. Chaffin and family, of Louisa, were visiting their old tramping ground Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Bertha Austin's school is progressing nicely. Attendance good.

Mrs. Floyd Austin was visiting relatives at the Dyer Bond one day last week.

Mrs. Andy Thompson, of Little Blaine, was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Carter last week.

James Grubb and Comerford Skeens are our butchers and furnish our neighborhood with all the beef we need.

Will say to Lankey that we have had no snow nor ice here since early in October. Would like for him to write to the NEWS, as several of our neighbors whom we well know, are in East Liverpool. Henry Taylor, one of the number, is here among us, but will return home soon.

Ira Adams, of Overda, was here a few days ago on business.

James Grub and several hands under him as boss are making some much needed repairs on the road across the Jerry Riffe hill. The road became dangerous and almost impassable.

C. B. Stewart, of Cat, the teacher at Baker, passed through here en route to Louisa Saturday.

A. O. Carter, of Louisa, a prominent attorney was visiting relatives here one day last week.

Miss Ethel Thompson, daughter of Jonse Thompson, was out visiting Miss Ethel Pigg and Miss Bertha Austin, for a few days.

Country Greenhorn.

### Kentucky-Tennessee Oil Fields.

Special Our Mainfracture's Record.

Barboursville, Ky., November 5.—Although rather late in the season for the entrance of new capital, two or three new development concerns

have lately been organized to operate in Kentucky's oil and gas fields.

A new territory will be entered in Western Kentucky by the Green River Oil and Development Co., of Morgantown, Ky. This concern, which has just been organized, will drill in sections of Butler county, which has already shown favorable indications of oil and gas. The company was incorporated last week with a capital stock of \$50,000, and drilling will start at once. In Knox county W. C. Kennedy and Co., of Bradford, Pa., have purchased several hundred acres of gas territory near Barboursville, and will install a natural-gas system in this city. One well was already drilled on the property purchased, and other holes will be sunk. The system is now being put in. A test of the well already drilled shows a volume of 700,000 cubic feet and a pressure of 270 pounds, sufficient force to carry the gas 70 miles without artificial pressure. The W. C. Kennedy concern has interests valued at over \$1,000,000. In upper Kentucky the Central Kentucky Natural Gas Co., will extend operations. This company has headquarters at Lexington. David Main, of Barboursville, has acquired the holdings of the Natural Oil and Development Co., of Chicago, and will drill new wells in Knox county.

Developments in the Kentucky-Tennessee field, after the dull season of the past two months, are assuming greater proportions. A number of new rigs have been put to work, following the opening of new pools, and better results are expected. One of the most important new openings was in Wolfe county, this State, a test well showing the famous green oil in large quantities. The strike, which has created great interest in upper Kentucky, was made by the Mountain Valley Oil Co., of Lexington. It is the first green-oil strike yet made in this State.

Results from October operations in Kentucky-Tennessee divisions were not up to those of the preceding months. Thirty-six wells were completed, including five dry holes. Most of the work was accomplished the latter part of the month. The production of oil slightly exceeded the 10,000-barrel mark.

The market for Kentucky-Tennessee oil is good, but prevailing prices are not satisfactory. The two grades of oil produced command 85 and 55 cents, respectively. These prices have prevailed for six months. At this season prices usually advance, but just now the indications are for a decline, due to the great overproduction of oil throughout the country. The Standard Oil Co. controls all but a small part of the Kentucky-Tennessee production. In two divisions of Kentucky an independent concern, the Indian Refining Co., of Georgetown, competes in the crude-oil market, paying 88 cents per barrel for the better grade oil. This concern is conducting a flourishing business.

### Alaska Not Remote.

Alaska will read with more or less interest, and no doubt with wrath and indignation, the statement published by Tuesday's Post-Intelligencer that Alaska is an "out-of-the-way locality," and that on the occasion of Gertrude Atherton's recent visit to that territory she undertook the "long and somewhat perilous voyage" to acquire local color for a forthcoming novel.

It has been a long time since anything quite so stupid and silly as the statements printed by the Post-Intelligencer has appeared in a newspaper that ought to know something of the vast and attractive empire of the north. Everybody except the densely ignorant or the "vengefully malicious" knows that Alaska is no longer remote, that it is not an "out-of-the-way locality," and that the journey to our northern possession is in no sense perilous. Indeed, one may visit Alaska with precisely the comfort that he may cross the Pacific of the Atlantic, so quickly have modern improvements and conveniences caught up with the requirements of that wonderful land.

We used to read a great deal about the "land of snow and ice" in those newspapers which were so far from Alaska that they could scarcely help throwing about that land the atmosphere of romance. Some papers are better informed. They know Alaska is a land of flowers. The Post-Intelligencer is without excuse in printing false statements, the effect of which would be to work injury to Alaska, provided one concedes that the Post-Intelligencer has any influence whatever.

Truth is, the cities and towns of Alaska are so far a head of places of double their population in the States that there can be no basis of comparison between them; and the vital point is, those cities and towns are no longer remote from civilization.

### Home Circle Column.

A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle.

We sometimes treat strangers more politely and courteously than we do our own dear ones who give their lives for us. "Company manners, table ware and linen" are perhaps not necessary all the time, but what is good for strangers is good for our "loved ones at home."

Sometimes one has more flowers piled on his coffin and grave than he ever had given to him in all his life. We want our flowers while we are living. The dead are past all that. If we would do good let us do it while we are alive to those who are living.

A crust of bread, a pitcher of water, a log cabin and perfect love—there is happiness for you, whether the day be rainy or sunny. It is the heart that makes the home, whether the eye rests on a potato patch or flower garden. The heart makes home precious, and it is the only thing that can. Home is where the heart is.

The bitterest tears shed over graves are for words left unsaid and for deeds left undone. "She never knew that I loved her." "He never knew what he was to me." "I always meant to make more of our friendship." "I did not know what he was to me until he was gone." Such words are the poisoned arrows which cruel death shoots from the door of the sepulcher.

The lady who laughs heartily is a doctor without a diploma. Her face does more good in a sick room than a bushel of powders or a gallon of bitter draughts. People are always glad to see her. Their hands instinctively go half way out to meet her grasp while they turn involuntarily from the dampy touch of the dyspeptic, who speaks in the groaning key. She laughs you out of your faults, while you never dream of being offended with her; and you never know what a pleasant world you live in until she points out the sunny streets on her pathway.

We need to remember that success in life is not success in material life alone, but in the social and religious as well. That a man is not practical man who is a merchant, a farmer, a teacher merely; he must also be a citizen, a neighbor, a friend, a son, perhaps a brother, a husband, a father—and most important of all a little child in the garden of a Heavenly King.

The gentle grace of the mother lives in the daughter long after her head is pillowed in the dust of death; and the fatherly kindness finds its echo in the nobility and courtesy of sons, who come to wear his mantle and to fill his places while on the other hand, from an unhappy misgoverned and discarded home, go forth persons who shall make other homes miserable, and perpetuate the sourness and sadness the contentions, strifes, and ructions, which have made their own early lives so wretched and distorted.

### HINTS FOR WIVES.

Purchase your husband's disposition is much changed; that he is no longer the sweet-tempered ardent lover he used to be. This may be a mistake. Consider his struggles with the word—his overtaxing race with the busy competition of trade. What is it that makes him so eager in the pursuit of gain—so energetic by day, so sleepless by night—but his love of home wife and children, and a dread that their respectability according to the light in which he has conceived it, may be encroached upon by the strife of existence. This is the true secret of that silent care which preys upon the hearts of many men; and true it is, that, when love is least apparent, it is nevertheless the active principle which animates the heart, though fears and disappointments make up a cloud which obscures the warmer element. As above the clouds there is a glorious sunshine below are showers and gloom, so with the conduct of men behind the gloom of anxiety there is a bright fountain of high and noble feeling. Think of this in those moments when clouds seem to lower upon your domestic peace, and by tempering our conduct accordingly, the gloom will soon pass away and warmth and brightness take its place.

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